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SUBJECT: COCOM LIST REVIEW: ROUND II AND COMPUTER  
IL 1565) REVIEW

REFS: A. STATE 268686

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1. SCHEDULING OF RESUMPTION OF COMPUTER REVIEW AND  
ROUND II DISCUSSED DURING DECEMBER 10 REGULAR COCOM  
SESSION WITH ALL DELS OF THE OPINION THAT COMPUTERS  
SHOULD PRECEDE ROUND II WITH AS SHORT AS POSSIBLE GAP  
BETWEEN THE TWO. VARIOUS DATES ADVANCED AND DISCUSSED  
WITH JAPANESE AGAIN EMPHASIZING THEIR URGENT BUDGET  
PROBLEMS. IN THE END, THE UK, WHO LEAD THE FIELD FOR  
THE QUICKEST POSSIBLE RESUMPTION OF BOTH, SUGGESTED  
FEBRUARY 10 FOR COMPUTERS AND FEBRUARY 24 FOR ROUND II  
AS COMPROMISE DATES, WHICH WERE ACCEPTED BY ALL DELS,  
INCLUDING JAPANESE. NETHERLANDS, CANADA, AND GERMANY  
WERE AD REF, BUT THESE SHOULD BE CONFIRMED SOON. US,  
FOLLOWING THE LEAD OF THE OTHERS, ALSO AGREED AFTER  
REITERATING THAT MID-MARCH WOULD BE THE BEST TIME FOR IT  
TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS.

2. NOW THAT THE DATES ARE VIRTUALLY SET, WE BELIEVE  
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THAT EDAC SHOULD REDOUBLE ITS EFFORTS TO ASSURE THAT

AGREED US POSITIONS ARE IN HAND OF USDEL WELL BEFORE  
SCHEDULED DISCUSSION OF ITEMS IN ROUND II.

3. ON THE COMPUTER REVIEW, WE APPRECIATE RECEIPT OF  
CLEARANCE FOR DRAFT RECORD OF OCTOBER DISCUSSIONS (STATE  
269835). ONLY GERMANS ARE STILL IN RESERVE, BUT THIS  
IS EXPECTED TO BE LIFTED SHORTLY, AND SECRETARIAT  
ALREADY IN MAKING FRENCH TRANSLATION ON BASIS OF  
PRESENT DRAFT. WE DID NOT HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT  
WITH FRENCH ON REF C, PARA 3 QUERY UNTIL DECEMBER 10  
BUT WE EXPECT TO HAVE THEIR REACTION SHORTLY, WHICH  
WE WILL REPORT AS SOON AS RECEIVED. IN MEANTIME, WE  
HOPE THAT WORK ON US REVISED PROPOSAL WILL GO FORWARD  
TO PERMIT ITS RECEIPT BY USDEL NO LATER THAN JAN. 2.  
AT THIS POINT WE WOULD NOT WISH TO GUESS FRENCH REACTION  
IF IRIS 80 EXPORTS WERE NOT POSSIBLE UNDER NOTE 5, BUT  
WE SHOULD GIVE THOUGHT TO SOME FORMULATION WHICH MIGHT  
GIVE RELIEF TO COMPUTER SYSTEMS WITH CONSIDERABLE  
DISPARITY BETWEEN PDR AND BUS RATE. IF THIS IS NOT  
ACCEPTABLE WE SHOULD BE ARMED WITH DETAILED EXPLANATION  
OF WHAT RISKS MIGHT PERTAIN AND WHY ACCOMMODATION IS  
NOT POSSIBLE.  
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